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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner For Patents

Washington, DC 20231

March 11, 1999

DC 20231, on the date below:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING 37 C.F.R. 1.8 I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington,

Sir:

In the above identified application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, delete the paragraph under "Cross References To Related Applications," which was added in the First Preliminary Amendment and add the following paragraph:

-- This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 08/778,503, filed January

3, 1997, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,863,201, which is a complete application

claiming the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/009,592, filed January 4,

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